



## ***Dylan Darren Sheppard***

### ***OUR LITTLE ANGEL!***

**Born 4<sup>th</sup> of May 2010 – Passed away 29<sup>th</sup> of March 2012.**

Our special little boy Dylan is now resting in peace with his big brother Cody.

We are touched that the Valley Dragons Club approached us this week to seek our permission to pay tribute to our special little Dylan at today's carnival. Today is in memory of Dylan, but it is also a day to celebrate that we were lucky enough to have him in our lives for 22 months.

Dylan had a condition called Pontocerebellar Hypoplasia type 2, the same condition as our eldest son Cody. The cerebellum located at the back of the brain and his brain stem did not develop. This condition meant that he would not meet any milestones e.g. walking, talking etc, and that life expectancy would be short. Despite all this we saw Dylan as our beautiful little boy who was perfect just the way he was. Our main goal for Dylan was to keep him comfortable and give him lots of love.

Dylan like his brother Cody touched so many lives during his short life; he had such a big impact on all those that got the chance to know him. He had the most gorgeous smile and gave the best snuggles. Dylan loved touch and loved sitting up in his special chair watching TV. We have captured so many wonderful memories of Dylan's life.

We can be reassured that Dylan with his condition was given everything that he could have possibly had. He was given love, kisses, and cuddles, and most importantly he was kept comfortable. He had quality of life. He had a big brother Cody who watched over him and his older brother Ben who absolutely adored him.

Our special little boy passed away at our home very peacefully in our arms. Our hearts are broken and Dylan will always stay close to our hearts. We miss our little Dylan so much, but can be reassured that he is playing with his big brother Cody in heaven, until we meet with him again.

*We are sure Dylan would be looking down today, with his gorgeous smile and his big blue eyes, amazed at the fact that so many of you are paying respect to him.*

Darren and Sonia Sheppard (10<sup>th</sup> April 2012)

Father and Mother of Cody (deceased), Ben, and Dylan (deceased)

**Cody and Dylan's website: [www.codysheppard.com](http://www.codysheppard.com)**